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4. Method for the pasteurisation of drinks, in particular beer, according to any of Claims 1 to 3,  
**characterised in that**  
in the heating phase (30) the product stream is heated in a recuperator by heat transfer from the outflowing product stream.
5. Method for the pasteurisation of drinks, in particular beer, according to any of Claims 1 to 4,  
**characterised in that**  
additional heating by a medium with higher temperature, in particular hot water or steam, is provided.
6. Method for the pasteurisation of drinks, in particular beer, according to any of Claims 1 to 5,  
**characterised in that**  
at the conclusion of the heating in a recuperator, heating in a heater takes place at least during a part (32) of the heating phase.
7. Method for the pasteurisation of drinks, in particular beer, according to any of Claims 1 to 6,  
**characterised in that**  
at least part of the cooling during the cooling phase (34) takes place in a recuperator, with the outflowing beer stream to be cooled flowing counter-current to the inflowing beer stream to be heated.
8. Method for the pasteurisation of drinks, in particular beer, according to any of Claims 1 to 7,  
**characterised in that**  
the product stream is cooled in a heat exchanger by means of an outside medium.